

Decision \_\_\_\_\_

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric  
Company for 2013 Rate Design Window  
Proceeding. (U39E)

Application 12-12-002  
(Filed December 3, 2012)

**ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE****Summary**

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding to December 14, 2014.

**Background**

Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5 provides that ratesetting matters such as this application shall be resolved within 18 months of issuance of the scoping memo for the proceeding, unless the Commission makes findings why that statutory deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending the 18-month deadline for a period not exceeding 60 days.

In this proceeding, the scoping memo was issued on February 14, 2013, therefore the 18-month deadline for resolving the proceeding is August 16, 2014. In Decision (D.) 14-08-015 issued on August 14, 2014, the Commission extended the statutory deadline to October 15, 2014.

On December 3, 2012, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) filed this application regarding its 2013 Rate Design Window in compliance with D.11-12-053 to file a demand charge cost study and an evaluation of "Option R"

for customers on PG&E's rate Schedule E-19 and E-20, that is, those customers with solar unit production that exceed 10% of the customers' demand.

On January 14, 2013, Solar Energy Industries Association filed a protest to the application requesting the Commission not to accept the study PG&E has presented. A prehearing conference was held and concluded on February 5, 2013. After the scoping memo was issued, PG&E filed a motion to revise the scheduled and the motion was denied. An Evidentiary hearing was held on July 9, 2013, and parties filed their briefs and reply briefs. Further review is needed to prepare a final decision for Commission consideration. Therefore, a 60-day extension of the statutory deadline until December 14, 2014, is necessary.

**Waiver of Comment Period**

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of decisions extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. We waive the period for public review and comment pursuant to this rule.

**Assignment of Proceeding**

Michael R. Peevey is the assigned Commissioner and Douglas Long is the assigned Judge in this proceeding.

**Findings of Fact**

1. This proceeding was initiated on December 3, 2012.
2. D.14-08-015 issued on August 14, 2014, extended the statutory deadline to October 15, 2014.
3. An extension of time until December 14, 2014, is necessary to prepare a final decision for Commission consideration.

**Conclusions of Law**

1. Pursuant to the authority granted the Commission under Public Utilities Code Section 1701.5(a), the statutory deadline for this proceeding should be extended to December 14, 2014.

2. Pursuant to Rule 14.6(c)(4), the comment period for the proposed decision should be waived.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the extension of the statutory deadline for this proceeding is extended to December 14, 2014.

This order is effective today.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, at San Francisco, California.